



HIGH SIGHT

HighSight's mission is to provide academic and social support to Chicago high school students. HighSight provides scholarships, tutoring, mentoring, leadership development and college readiness programs to enable its students to attend and succeed at the private high school of their choice.

FALL 2015

HIGHTSIGHT RESULTS = COLLEGE GRADUATES

HighSight's SUCCESS



100%
of the Class of 2015
enrolled in college

90%
college persistence rate

100%
of rising seniors attended
a study away program

80
over 80 volunteer tutors

72
72 years of combined
experience with 5 staff
members working
at HighSight

24
HighSight is approaching
its 24th year

HighSight's REACH

163 low income
students served

24 neighborhoods
represented by
HighSight scholars

28 colleges
HighSight
students attend

27 new freshmen
welcomed to the
HighSight community

12 high schools
represented

28 elementary schools
represented in the
Insight program

HighSight's RESULTS

HighSight improves college graduation rates in Chicago.

70% 
> 70% of HighSight scholars graduate from 4-year colleges and universities in 4 years

14% 
> 14% of Chicago Public School students graduate from college by the age of 25

3.42 The average GPA for a HighSight scholar in 2014-2015.



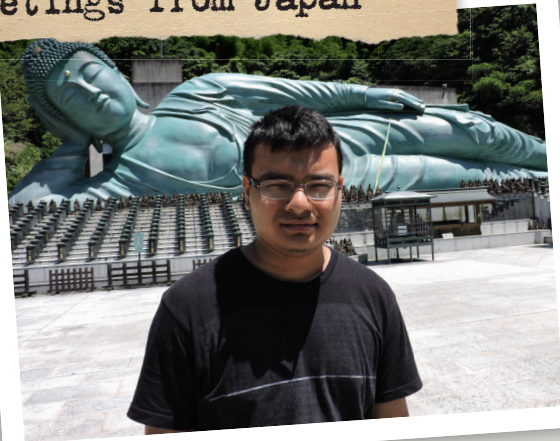
WELCOME CLASS OF 2019!

HighSight welcomed our class of 2019 with an intense, five-week academic program that emphasized reading, writing, math, character development and study skills. The program culminated with Freshman Week at La Lumiere School in LaPorte, Indiana, where students worked on team-building, leadership development and planning for the year ahead.

Our Class of 2019 will be attending 9 different high schools across the city



Greetings from Japan



SAURANG SINGH DE PAUL COLLEGE PREP, CLASS OF 2016

Through the efforts of HighSight and the AFS-USA foundation, I was able to spend six weeks in Japan, learning the culture, being introduced to the language and living with two host families. Even being from Nepal and having moved to Chicago, Japan introduced me to a new and completely different culture, language and of course, diet.

Now that I am home, I realize that I am not the same person who left for Japan earlier this summer. Japan's culture heavily emphasizes learning and education. And, now that I am a senior, this focus will carry over into my studies and provide me with extra excitement when applying to college.

WHERE IN THE WORLD?

INDEPENDENT SUMMER PROGRAMS

Through the generosity of our donors and enrichment program partners, our Class of 2016 spent their summers at boarding schools, universities or doing service, language and cultural immersion programs abroad.



> **Roger Becerra**
De La Salle Institute,
in Ecuador



< **Edwin Rocha**
DePaul College Prep,
in China



^ **Jada Shelby**
St. Benedict High School,
in Panama

Student / Program / Destination

- Bobbie Barnes**, The Putney School
- Roger Becerra**, Putney Student Travel, Ecuador & The Galapagos Islands
- Nestor Carbajal**, Northfield Mount Hermon
- Marina Carbajal**, Northfield Mount Hermon
- Telia Cobb**, Concordia Language Villages
- Angelica Contreras**, Cushing Academy
- Sarah Herrera**, The Putney School
- Marilynne Hubbard**, Northfield Mount Hermon
- Jeremiah Jones**, Andover Academy
- Cristian Juarez**, Cushing Academy
- Brittany Oduro**, Exeter Academy
- Corina Perez**, Andover Academy
- Edwin Rocha**, AFS, China, Language & Cultural Immersion
- Viridiana Serrato**, Elmhurst Math & Science Academy
- Jada Shelby**, AFS, Panama, Community Service
- Saurang Singh**, AFS, Japan, Language & Cultural Immersion
- Miguel Verdin**, Choate Rosemary Hall
- Charles Wilson**, AFS, Japan, Language & Cultural Immersion
- Bennett Yoc**, Exeter Academy

MEET THE STAFF



Top to bottom and left to right: **Mark Duhon**, executive director and co-founder, **Jesus Gomez**, '08, Program Coordinator, **Maggie Caravello**, Personal Development Director since 1999, **Patty Hart**, College Counselor and Development Coordinator hired in 2003, **Sister Stephanie Schmidts**, Insight Director since 1992.

HighSight is excited to welcome Jesus Gomez to our seasoned staff. As a HighSight scholar, Jesus attended Holy Trinity High School in 2004. After four years, he left to Granville, Ohio to attend Denison University as a Posse Scholar. At Denison, he majored in history, worked in the Multicultural Student Affairs Office for four years, brought the first Latino fraternity to campus, and participated in various club and intramural sports. After graduating Denison in 2012, Jesus accepted a full-time staff position at Oberlin College as a Community Coordinator in the Multicultural Resource Center where he was in charge of supporting, advising and providing programming for underrepresented students. After two years working at Oberlin, and six years total in Ohio, he decided it was time to return to his hometown. He was accepted into the Master's of Higher Education program at Loyola University in Chicago in 2014. As a graduate student, he completed an internship in the Office of Access, Equity, and Diversity at Oakton Community College where he coordinated the ANDALE program, which focused on improving the retention, persistence, and success of Oakton's Latino/a/x students. **HighSight** is excited to welcome Jesus Gomez to the team.

» UPCOMING EVENT



Friday
November 6, 2015
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Rockit Bar and Grill
22 West Hubbard Street
Tickets: \$45 per person

Visit highsight.org
to purchase tickets
or call **312.787.9824**

HIGH SIGHT

315 West Walton Street, Chicago, Illinois 60610

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EVE OF THE EVE



One great cause. One big party. One amazing venue.

Wednesday, December 30, 2015

8:00pm – 1:00am | Chicago Union Station | 500 West Jackson Boulevard

The **EVE of the EVE** takes place the night before New Year's Eve and all proceeds benefit HighSight's scholarship program. This black-tie optional event offers more than 2,000 young, urban professionals the opportunity to mix and mingle while jump-starting their New Year's celebrations. The party takes over the entire Great Hall of Union Station, where guests enjoy cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, a live band and dancing. This much-anticipated event is truly one of Chicagoland's premier extravaganzas and the premiere holiday choice for partygoers year after year.

Open Bar / Hors d'oeuvres / Silent Auction / Cash Raffle / Music / Dancing

Tickets are available at highsight.org for this charity scholarship event.

HighSight would like to thank all our EVE of the EVE sponsors for their generous support.

